There is no mention, on the other hand, of the integral role of environmental defenders—and therefore the integrity of their human rights—in the full realization of a safe, clean, healthy, and sustainable environment.
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Environmental defenders were successful in stopping environmentally destructive and socially conflictive projects in 11% of the cases.

This success rate was found to increase up to 27% through a combination of particular strategies such as preventive mobilization, protest diversification, and litigation.

The success of environmental defenders has invited increasing political repression, including high rates of criminalization (20% of cases), physical violence (18%), and assassinations (13%).
RECOMMENDATIONS

- For the MTS explicitly recognize that the human rights of environmental defenders are likewise integral to the full realization of a safe, clean, healthy, and sustainable environment.

- For the MTS specifically identify the provision of legal aid, support for preventive mobilizations, and support for advocacy strategy diversification to environmental defenders, as further concrete actions it will undertake.

- For the adoption of science and rights-based standards in the mainstreaming of biodiversity protection in our natural resource management and economic planning frameworks.